

Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Alaska Department
of Fish and Game

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order 05-10-20

Issued at Nome, Alaska
September 10, 2020

Effective Date: 11:59 p.m.
September 11, 2020

Expiration Date: June 30, 2021

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the State resident moose hunt by registration permit RM840 in the Unit 22(D) Remainder hunt area.

The State resident fall hunting season for bull moose by registration permit RM840 in Unit 22(D) Remainder closes at 11:59 p.m. on September 11, 2020. The fall harvest quota of 17 bull moose is expected to be reached by the season closing date announced in this emergency order and no further harvest is warranted.

The season closure is additive to the season closures announced for the registration permit hunt RM840 hunt areas: Unit 22(C), Unit 22(B) West of the Darby Mountains, Unit 22(D) Kuzitrin Drainage, and Unit 22(D) Southwest.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5 AAC 85.045 (a) (20), HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order and the following provisions are effective for hunting moose in Unit 22(D):

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
(20)		
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Remainder of Unit 22(D)		

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull by registration permit only; only antlered bull moose may be taken from Dec. 1-Jan. 31;	Sept. 1 – Sept. 11 Dec. 1 – Jan. 31 (To be Announced)
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NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:	No open season.
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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 22 remain unchanged by this emergency order.

Doug Vincent-Lang
Commissioner



By delegation to:

Bill Dunker
Area Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The Alaska Board of Game established a registration permit moose hunt in Unit 22(D) Remainder during the 2020 Western and Arctic Board of Game meeting in Nome. The management objective for the area is to maintain the post hunt fall composition at or above 30 bulls:100 cows. Fall moose composition surveys completed in November 2018 and 2019 resulted in 18 bulls:100 cows and 24 bulls:100 cows, respectively. These survey results suggested that the bull to cow ratio has persisted below our management objective since 2013 following a decline in the areas bull to cow ratio when compared to similar surveys completed in 2001, 2003, and 2011 during which time the bull to cow ratio averaged 33 bulls:100 cows. With the adoption of a registration permit hunt in the area the department established a quota for the 22D Remainder hunt area of 17 bulls for the 2020-2021 regulatory year to prevent excessive bull harvest and allow for the bull:cow ratio to increase.

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